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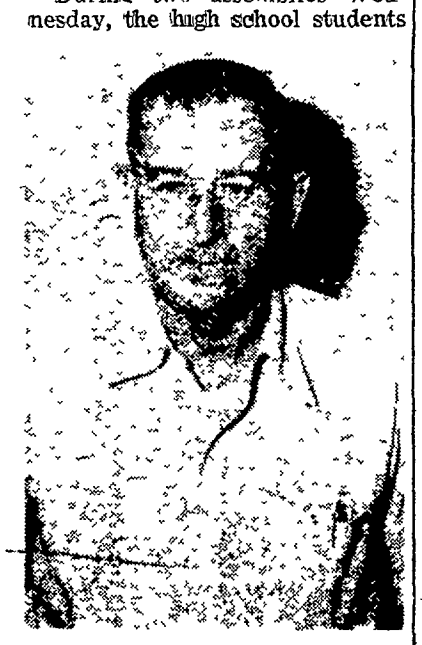
Three Solanco Youths Named Essay Winners

"Rural families all over this great land of our depend on bus transporation to get to school, to go on field trips and educational demonstrations, and as a means of leaving and returning to isolated places for pleasure and business These same people use the truck because it is economical, fast, flexible, mobile, and convenient—ready to provide service easily adapted to the land and its resources."

This conclusion won for Robert Bucher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bucher, R1 Peach Bottom, first place in the essay contest for vo-ag students at Southern Lancaster County Joint Community High School. His prize was the choice of one feeding steer or heifer, value up to $150, from Herr's Motor Express, Quarryville Benjamin Herr made the presentation.

Second place winner was Marion Findley, son of Mr. and Mrs Edgar Findley, R3 Quarryville, who received $75 from Lester Warfel of B. S. Warfel & Sons, to be used in a project of his own choice under direct supervision of Jack Owens head of the vo-ag department Third place winner received $50 under similar conditions, courtesy of David "Stony" Eshbach, Jr. He was William Gross, Jr., son of Mr and Mrs. William Gross, Kirkwood.

During two assemblies Wednesday, the high school students



AMOS "MARTY" BOYD saw Lt. Carl S. ("Sarge") Pike give his "Safety Magic Show." George Wolf of the farm division, Pennsylvania Motor Truckers Association, presented a citation to Amos "Marty" Boyd for outstanding cooperation with the association's safety patrol. He is driver-trainer and road patrolman for Herr's Motor Express.

THOUSAND TOUR PLANT

Saturday morning more than 1,000 employes of the New Holland Machine C. toured the new baler assembly plant in an open house that featured also an informal, brief talk by George Delp, company president. The New Holland Machine Co Chorus also sang.

Lancaster County Church Goers

Let it blow, let it snow, said Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. (Hack) Groff of R2 Quarryville Sunday morning. Not to be stumped by the weather, they hitched up their one-horse sleigh, glided over the snow from their farm into town, sang in the choir, Memorial Methodist, and headed for home. Sleigh bells jingled, adding to the novelty and practicality of this mode of transportation. — (Lancaster Farming Photo).

Winter Strikes Hard; Drifting Roads Opened

Winter tossed one of its stiffest punches on Lancaster County during the past week, depositing several inches of snow that several days later kicked up under high winds and drifted several rural roads shut.

Highways Friday night became sheets of ice following snow that fell Thursday afternoon and evening. During the weekend, sleighs were put into use, and many just gave up use of the family auto until the weather moderated. There was some thawing Sunday, but another cold snap turned this slush into ice.

Breezy weather Monday brushed snow over highways and closed several roads that had been opened just a short time before. Snow fences in many cases checked the flow of snow, but too often snow fencing was still lying in rolls.

In Southern Lancaster County, almost a foot of snow fell during the week and forced closing of several schools two days. Out came the sleds, tobaggons, skis, and snow saucers. Cinder crews and snow plows were on the job early, but at presstime the frosty touch remains, and slowly melting snows are adding to the needed ground moisture supply.

Stibestrol

Results of recent feeding tests with stilbestrol at the Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Md., confirm previous indications that this hormone-like chemical, used in approved amounts in finishing rations for beef cattle, can save feed but does not shorten the time required to give steers the desired degree of fatness, the U S. Department of Agriculture reported Tuesday

What Shall We Grow? Topic at Beef-Lamb Meet

"What Shall We Grow" will be the subject of an address by J. Collins McSparren, Pennsylvania Grange secretary, before the annual Red Rose Baby Beef and Lamb Club Feb. 3.

The banquet, beginning at 6:30 p. m., will be in the Armstrong Cork Co. Auditorium, Lancaster.

Banquet committee members are: Walter Augsburger, R1 Reinholds; Jane Greiner, R4 Manheim; Marian Graybill, R3 Manheim, and James Hess, R1 Strasburg.

JAYCEE JUDGES NAMED

Three prominent Lancaster County agriculturalists have been named judges to select Lancaster Countys Outstanding Young Farmer of 1955, sponsored by the Lancaster Junior Chamber of Commerce. They are F. S. "Dutch" Bucher, former County agricultureal agent; A. G. Bucher, farm relations manager of the Lancaster County National Bank, and Levi H. Brubaker, president of the Lancaster County Poultry Exchange.

Groundhogs to Have Day Soon In Quarryville

Three new members have been selected by the Slumbering Groundhog of Quarryville, to participate for the first time in festivities Feb 2 that honor the prognosticator of the weather

Named were Michael DeBerdine, chef extraordinary; Harry K. Gerlach, school supervising principal, and Herbert B. Valentine, restaurateur-jeweler-justice of the peace.

For honorary membership, J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the FBI has been selected, and "For their violation of the Spirit of Geneva and the lies they told on their trip through the East, the Lodge is happy to confer Dishonorary degrees on Nikita Kruschhev and Nicolai Bulganin."

Television cameras will record the festivities, according to the officers, William Uhler Hensel III, secretary and bondless treasurer; Dr. Robert B. Hess, exalted hibernator; Calvin Herr Mowrer, defender of the three hibernating governors, Albert Hess Fritz, Carl Reynolds and Chas. Frederick Hess

Early assembly will be at the Hensel and Trout Hardware Store for the 48th observance. The Ladies Aid Society of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Quarryville, will serve the banquet.

LORILLARD CIGAR CO. SELLS

Consolidated Cigar Corp. this week announced in New York it has purchased cigar assets of the P. Lorillard Co. Included in the sale were Lorillard's cigar factory in Richmond, Va., the brand names of Muriel, Muriel Babies, Headline and VanBibbler.

County Four-H Members Lauded On Achievements

Twenty-nine Lancaster County Four-H Club members last night were honored for outstanding accomplishments in a banquet at Hotel Brunswick, Lancaster, by the Lancaster County Bankers Assn.

Fourteen boys and 15 girls were named for the annual honor, which they may receive but once, and their club leader accompanied them at the banquet.

Honored Thursday night for participation in 4-H activities, interest in particular projects, participation in community, church and school activities, were the following, listed by club leader, boy and girl representing each community:

Blainspont — Mrs Norman Lausch, R1 Denver, Troy Schantz, R1 Ephrata, Josephine Lausch, R1 Denver

Clay-Ephrata — Mrs. Harold Stuber, Lincoln; Carl Bollinger, R1 Lititz; Phyllis Rutt, R1 Stevens

Columbia — Miss Grace Nolt, Columbia R1; Glen Bushong, R2 Columbia; Mary Jane Butzer, R1 Lancaster.

Drumore — Martin Eshleman, Drumore; Donald Moore, R1 Quarryville; Nancy Aument, R1 Quarryville.

Elizabethtown — Mrs. Ben Shank, R1 Elizabethtown; George Webb Jr., R1 Elizabethtown; Carol Ann Seider, R1 Elizabethtown

Kirkwood — Fred Frey, R1 Quarryville; Isaac Hershey Jr., R2 Quarryville; Marie Groff, R2 Christiana.

Lampeter — Mrs Ellis Landis, 48 Greenfield Road, Lancaster; James Hess, R1 Strasburg, Joanne Denlinger, Lancaster R5

Lancaster — Edgar Porter, R1 Washington Boro; Linda Mumma, Landisville; Trevena Stehman, 2817 Marietta Ave, Lancaster.

Lititz — Mrs. Arthur Reist, 1050 Eden Road, Lancaster; C. Edward Graybill, R2 Lititz; Mary Lou Thomas, R3 Lititz.

Little Britain — Mrs Charles Woods, R2 Nottingham; Kenneth Rutt, R2 Peach Bottom; Susan Wood, R2 Norttingham.

Manheim — Clarence Keener, R3 Manheim; Luke Wenger, R3 Manheim; Pat Shonk, R4 Manheim.

Mount Joy — Mrs. Robert Brubaker, Salunga; Milton Martin, R1 Mount Joy; Eileen Miller, R1 Mount Joy.

New Holland — Lester M. Weaver, R1 New Holland; James Wolgemuth, R1 Bareville; Nancy Zimmerman, R1 East Earl.

Oregon — Mrs. Edward Hess, R1 Bareville; Leroy Esbenshade, 1631 Esbenshade Road, Lancaster, Florence Bowman, Rothsville.

Paradise — Mrs. Willis Hershey, Kinzers; Sally Hershey, Kinzers.

STONERS BUY GUERNSEY

Charles C. Stoner & Son, Quarryville, Pa., have just purchased the Guernsey sire, Oakryn Royal, from Noris J. Kirk, Lancaster, Pa, according to the American Guernsey Cattle Club. This bull is out of the cow, Oakryn Patsy, and is sired by Llan Fair Royal Valor.

Prime Steers at $23 Top; Hogs Gain $1.00-1.50

LANCASTER

WEDNESDAY TO WEDNESDAY REVIEW

By David S. Lorenson, Reporter
USDA Market News Bureau

Lancaster July 26, — CATTLE: 2,625, week ago 3291. Compared with last Wednesday: Slaughter steers 1200 lbs and lighter fully steady to strong, instances 25c higher, weights over 1200 lbs slow, mostly steady Heifers fully steady, cows around 25c higher, best action on canner, cutter and utility. Bulls mostly steady. Stockers and feeders slow, largely steady. Receipts around 45 per cent slaughter steers, around 13 per cent cows, balance mostly stockers and feeders Bulk good and choice slaughter steers 975-1250 lbs $17.50-21 50; load 1270-lb Prime steers $22.75, part load 1170-lb prime steers $23.00. Several loads choice 1300-1350-lb steers $19 00-19.75, load choice 1375-lbs $18 50. Commercial and low good steers $15.00-17.00. Commercial and good heifers $14.50-16 50, a few good and choice $17.00-18.00. Utility and commercial cows $12 00-13.50; canners and cutters $9.00-12 50, high yielding cutters to $13 00. Utility and commercial bulls $15.00-17.50, odd head $18.00; a few good 950-1100 lb bulls $18.50-20.00, cutters $14.00-14 50. Numerous loads medium and good 700-900-lb feeder steers $15.50-17 50; two loads good and low choice 713-lb feeder steers $18 60, load 771-lb choice yearling feeder steers $20 00. Common feeders 600-830 lbs $13.25-14.25, some down to $12.50

CALVES 745, week ago 874. Compared with last Wednesday veal calves fully steady to strong, instances $1.00 higher; most good and choice vealers $24 00-28.50, high choice and prime $29 00-34 00, odd head to $36 00, utility and commercial $15.00-23.00,

HOGS 1,444, week ago 2,077. Compared with last Wednesday barrows and gilts $1.00 to $1 50 higher. Sows in small supply, mostly steady. In Wednesday's trade barrows and gilts U S. mixed 1-3, 180-220 lbs, $14 00-14 50, a few mostly No 1 and 2 to local small killers at $15 00; weights 230-270 lbs $12 75-13.75, one lot 334-lb mostly No. 3 butchers $11 50 Sows $8 00-10 00.

SHEEP. 250, week ago 252 Wooled slaughter lambs mostly steady with last Wednesday. Good and choice slaughter lambs $18.00-21 00, a few choice and prime 78-88 lbs $21 50

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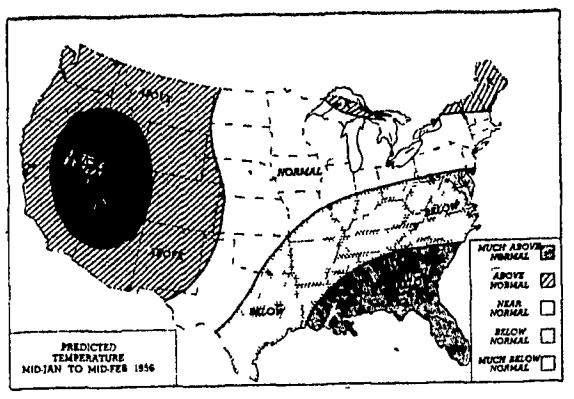
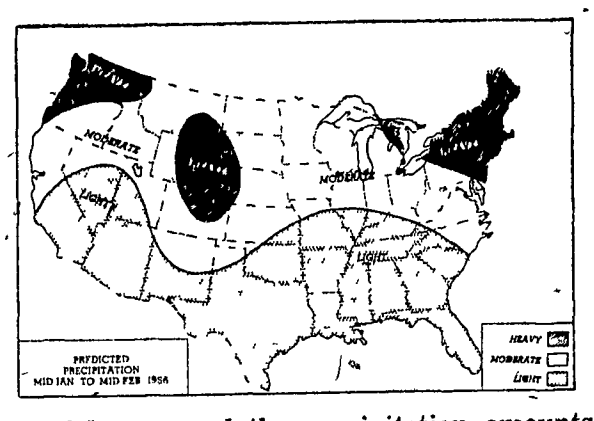


This chart shows the general nature of the total precipitation which fell during the preceding 30 days. Precipitation is expressed in three classes: light, moderate, and heavy, and the precipitation amounts which determine these classes are obtained from an analysis of many years of record at many stations.



Broilers Up, Top to 21.75 On Thursday

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown, Pa, Sales Report, Sale #118, Thursday, 19, 1956)—Broilers moved almost two cents higher in active trading here Thursday, averaging 21.78. Forty-four lots totaling 132,240 birds were listed; 120,440 were offered in 41 lots and 39 lots totaling 119,700 were sold.

Thirty-seven lots of a total 115,800 broilers sold from 20¾ to 23½, averaging 21 78. One lot of 500 Leghorn fowl went at 15¼, and one lot of 3400 capettes went at 21¼

Top was paid Harold Keener, R2 Mount Joy, for 700 White Vantress, 10 weeks, 2 days, by Bolton s Dressing Plant, Schaefferstown

Here are sales listed by seller and grower, amount and breed, age by weeks and days., buyers, price; first two lots from John W Hall, one of 3000 White Cornish Cross, 10-2 the other 3000 White Vantress, 9-2, were withdrawn prior to sale; lot 3, Harold Keener, 700 White Vantress, 10-2, to Bolton's 23½; Jack Bucher, four lots lot 4, 4600 White Vantress; 9-2, to Mandata Poultry, 22; lot 5, 4650 White Vantress, 9-2, to Mandata, 22¼; lot 6, 4650 White Vantress, 9-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 22; lot 7, 4650 White Vantress, 9-2, to Victor F. Weaver, Inc, 22¼;

Lot 8, Miller & Bushong, 1000 White Vantress 9-2 to Grimes & Hauer, 21¾, lot 9, Miller & Bushong, (Richard Blessing) 1900 Red Vantress, 9-2, to Grimes & Hauer, 20¾ lot 10, Miller & Bushong (Lloyd Wenger) 4800 White Vantress and Meatpackers, 10 wks, to Grimes & Hauer, 22; lot 11 Jacob R. Cramer, 450 Indian River Cross, 11 wks, to Daniel K Good, 21½; lot 12 Wenger's (D. Lehman) 7000 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Harry H Weaver, Jr., 21¾;

Lot 13, Wenger's (Clair Hilsher) 900 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Roy E. Ream. 22½; lot 14, Wengers (Jacob Martin) 3500 Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Roy E Ream, 21½; lot 15, Mahlon Lehman, 300 White Rock Cross, 11 wks, to Meaders Poultry, 22; lot 16, Oscar H Forrey, 200 White Vantress, 18 wks, sale, 23½ bid; lot 17, Norman Becker, 1200 White Cross, 11 wks, to Producers Coop Exchange, 22, lot 18, Galen Heckman, 2900 Lancaster Whites and Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Tilley's Poultry, 21¼; lot 19, 2900 Lancaster Whites and Red Vantress, 10 wks, to Tilley's Poultry, 21¼, and lot 20, 500 Leghorn fowl yearlings, to Roy E. Ream, 15¼;

Lot 21, Titus Hoover, 550 Meatpackers, 11-2, to Martin H. Brendle, 22; lot 22, James B. Hess, 3800 White Tailed Cornish Cross, 9-2, to Roy E. Ream, 21¼; lot 23, Miller & Bushong (Christ Smith) 1800 White Vantress, 10 wks, to Producers Coop Exc 22; Miller & Bushong (Clair Bomberger), 2700 White Vantress, 9 wks, to Mandata Poultry, 21½; lot 25, Mary Myer, 4900 Red Vantress, 9-1, to Grimes & Hauer, 22, and lot 26, 4200 Red Vantress, 9-1, to Grimes & Hauer, 22;

Samuel Grubb Sales

Six lots were consigned by Samuel Grubb, 27 through 32, lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 selling to Victor F. Weaver, Inc., lot 27, 3700 Indian River Cross, 9-2, at 22; lot 28, 3350 Indian River Cross, 9-2, at 22; lot 29, 3800 Indian River Cross, 9-2, at 22;

Broilers Average 23.50, Top 25 in Tuesday Auction

Lancaster Poultry Exchange (Rohrerstown) (Sales Report, Sale #119, Tuesday, Jan. 24, 1956) —Sixteen lots of 47,300 birds were listed, offered and sold here Tuesday at prices ranging from 21½ to 25 cents with an average of 23.50

For the corresponding day a year ago, Jan 25, 1954, 17 lots of 53,800 birds sold from 28½ to 29¾, averaging 29.16. Approximatly 100,000 birds were listed for yesterday's sale.

Top was scored by Lloyd G Kreider on 400 White Cross, 11 weeks, 4 days, selling to Carl B Risser at 25 Other sales by seller and grower, amount and breed age by weeks and days, buyer and price follow

Miller & Bushong (Wm Wile), lots 24-2 and 24-3, the first 2400 White Vantress, 9-4, to C J. Nan beck Inc, 23¾; second lot, 2000 White Vantress, 9-4, to Grimes & Hauer, 23¾ lot 24-4, Lester L Fritz, 1600 White Vantress, 9-5, to Walter C. Mellinger, 22¼.

Lots 5 to 10 were consigned by Red Rose Experimental Farm, with lots 5 and 6, 3900 and 3850 White Vantress, to Grimes & Hauer at 23¾; lots 7 and 8, 3950 lot 30, 4150 Indian River Cross, 9-2, at 22; lot 31; 4500 Indian River Cross, 9-2, to C. F. Manbeck, 22; lot 32, 8000 Indian River Cross, 9 2, to Producers, 22;

Lot 33, Harlan Hoover, 500 Indian River Cross, 11-2, to Roy E Ream, 22¼; Lot 34, Noah W Kreider & Son, 5800 Red Vantress and White Cornish Cross, 10 wks, withdrawn prior to sale; lot 35, Harvey Reed, 540 Barred Cockerel Capettes, 17 wks, no sale, 23¼ bid, lot 36, Wenger's Mill (Harry Gantz), 3000 Meatpackers, 10-6, Horace W Long acre, 23; lot 37, Miller & Bushong (Irvin Denlinger), 3400 White Vantress Capettes, 15 wks, to Daniel K Good, 21¼;

Lots 38 Through 44

Lot 38, Miller & Bushong (Willis Gluck), 500 White Vantress, 10-2, to Ray W Gibble, 22; lot 39, Robert Chinault, 4000 Indian River Cross 9-6, to Victor F Weaver, Inc, 21; Robert Chinault, 4000 Indian River Cross, 9-6, to Producers Coop Exc., 21¼; lot 41, David Markey, 1500 Red and White Vantress, 11-3, to Tilley's Poultry, 21¾; lot 42, Paul Rohrer, 3750 Red Vantress, 9-3, to Harry H Weaver, Jr., 22; lot 43, Rodet Farms (Ira Herr) 3700 White Rocks, 10-2, to Horace W. Longacre, 22¼; and lot 44, Rodet Farms, 3300 White Rocks, 10-2, to Horace W. Longacre, 22.

EGGS

Philadelphia — Jan. 25 (USDA) Market weak. Prices declined on most grades. More than adequate supplies were available for the fair demand.

Wholesale selling prices: Min. 10 PCT AA Quality-Large 45-48# White 46-47, Brown 44½-45, medium White 43-44, Brown 42-43. Extras, Min 10 PCT A Quality. Large 45-50# White 44½-45, Brown none, mixed 43-43½, medium White 41-42, Brown none, mixed 40-41 Standards 41-42, current receipts none, checks 37-38½.

Receipts — Jan 24 - 6,370 cases all by truck

and 3850 White Vantress, to C J. Manbeck, Inc., at 23¾; lots 9 and 10, 3200 and 4800 White Vantress, to Pennsylvania Dutch Farms at 23¾; lot 24-11, Glen H. Herr (Leroy Sweigart), 950 Red Vantress, 11 wks, to Roy E Ream, 24¼; lot 24-12, Arthur Lauf, 6000 White Vantress, 10-3, to Grimes & Hauer, 23¼; lots 24-14 were sold by Miller & Bushong, Charles Boose grower, first lot 2500 Barred Cross cockerels, 10 wks, to Roy E Ream at 21½, and lot 24-14, 2500 White Cross, 10 wks, to Leola Poultry, 23¾;

Lots 24-15 and 24-16 were sold by Miller & Bushong, Jacob C. Herr, grower, with 24-15, 3500 Indian River Cross leghorns, 11 wks, to Grimes & Hauer at 23 and 24-16, 4000 Indian River Cross leghorns, 11 weeks to Grimes & Hauer at 23½.

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More than one's share came in the two storms last week that dumped snow by the tons on Lancaster County. Yet this moisture was more than welcome, for here and elsewhere the soil stood in need. Ralph Myer, R3 Manheim, is shown plowing out the lane of his farm. Last week's snows held on tenaciously, melting somewhat slowly over the weekend, giving a belated Christmas Card view of the County.

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Interstate Members Are Compensated

Dairy farmer members of the Inter-State Milk Producers' Cooperative who were temporarily unable to market their milk because of the recent Lancaster paratyphoid epidemic received cash compensation from their Cooperative last week totaling $5,532 34

In repaying these 21 members for loss of income, Inter-State emphasized that the organization's policy over the years has been to guarantee a market and to guarantee pay. These payments, the Cooperative said, were "in accordance with Inter-State's established policy of settlement with a member who is out of a market through no fault of his own or when his premises are quarantined because of human illness."

Checks $56.89 to $687.81

When the epidemic broke out in December, the State Board of Health and the Lancaster City Board of Health ascertained that victims of the ailment had had access to milk processed by Queen Dairy, a Lancaster plant. The 21 members of Inter-State who were shipping milk to Queen Dairy all received compensation for the 10 to 12-day period they were without market with checks ranging from $56.89 to $687.81.

Queen Dairy voluntarily stopped distributing milk on Dec. 6 and resumed normal deliveries on Dec 23.

Charles E Cowan, the Cooperative's field representative and manager of the Lancaster Secondary Milk Market, distributed the checks to farmers and their families One member, Earle L Groff of Strasburg, R 1, summed up the feelings of many when he said.

"I have been an Inter-State member since 1926. My father was a member on the home farm from 1918 to 1926. It was a real comfort to me during the recent period to know that Inter-State would cover my loss as well as work toward having my milk market restored"

Based on Queen Dairy's blend price for November, Inter-State paid out a gross value of $6,287 89 for the 110,858 lbs of milk that its 21 members were unable to ship, less 10 cents per hundredweight, which represented the drop in the Lancaster area blend price during Dec., exclusive of Queen Dairy. The gross value also was adjusted to the f o b. farm price and allowed for home use value of 59.4 cents per hundredweight, the Pennsylvania Milk Control Commission's skim milk value for December.

Inter-State General Manager, O. H Hoffman, Jr., told farmers who received checks from the Cooperative.

"Remember this is not insurance money, nor is it anything more than your pro rata share of what you members of Inter-State set aside for just such an emergency. When a barn burns down, the neighbors come in and help with the lifting of the new barn. When a member of Inter-State gets in a jam of this sort, the other members come in and help too. The only difference is that in this case they helped by setting aside a reserve fund, so that the thing could be done in an orderly manner."

Others Receiving Payment

When health authorities were investigating the cause of the epidemic, Inter-State independently had the purity of their member's milk ascertained by dairy science and bacteriology experts J. Frank Cone, of Pennsylvania State University; Dr. T. G. Anderson of Temple University, and Dr. Earl Cook, Philadelphia area dairy bacteriologist. In addition, at Inter-State's instance, most valuable assistance in getting the plant reopened was given by Dr. D. V. Josephson and Dr. G. H. Watrous, of Pennsylvania State University, two nationally known experts in the field of dairy plant operation.

Prices Lower In Farm Index December 15th

HARRISBURG — Further declines in prices received by Pennsylvania farmers for most meat animals and milk during the month ended December 15 were more than offset by seasonal increases in prices received for poultry, eggs and grains, the State Department of Agriculture announced today.

The index of prices advanced 1 point, during the month, reaching 245 per cent of the 1910-14 base level, the same as a year earlier, the survey showed.

Hogs Lowest in 14 Years

Hog prices, averaging a return to farmers of $12.80 per hundred lbs. liveweight, are the lowest in almost 14 years, the Department said.

Beef cattle and sheep declined 10 cents a hundred pounds from the November 15 average. Lambs dropped 40 cents while calves advanced 70 cents.

The index for all crops advanced 2 points as all grains took a seasonal increase in price, the survey revealed. Wheat advanced 3 cents a bushel and corn 2 cents

Livestock Up One Point

Potatoes advanced 10 cents per bushel and in mid-December growers averaged $1.00 per bushel, 50 cents less than a year earlier.

The Penna livestock index advanced 1 point. There was a 3-cents per dozen rise in the average price received for eggs and a slight advance in chicken prices. These more than offset a $1.70 drop in the average received per hundred lbs for liveweight hogs, along with a 5-cent decline in the price received by farmers per hundred lbs of milk at wholesale. The milk decline was less than usual for this season of the year, observers said.

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Oh where, oh where
Is the guy that said.
"A sandwich is MEAT
Surrounded by bread"?

POULTRY MARKETS

LIVE POULTRY

Philadelphia — Jan. 25 (USDA) Market unsettled. Demand light and selective. supplies more than ample. Few lots barred rock pullets 38-40c, White Rocks 30-32c, with bulk unsold. Large White Rock and Hyline Caponettes 26-28c, Barred Rocks 25-26c, small sizes White Rocks 23-25c, carried over stocks 20-23c, mostly dressers. Few lots cross Fryers 24-25c, White Rocks 22-24 Vantress Reds 24-25c, mixed 22-24c, without clearing. Turkeys barely steady. Demand fair for light supplies Heavy type Young Hens 43-45, few lots 47c, Young Toms 25-28, few lots 33c. White Holland Young Toms were unsold.

Receipts Jan 24 included: Maryland 11,854 lbs, Delaware 11,620 lbs, Virginia 3400 lbs

Wholesale selling prices: No. 1 and fancy Quality broilers or fryers heavy type 3-4 lbs 22-25, Pullets 4½ lbs and over 30-40, Hens — heavy type — 26-30, light type 15-22 Old Roosters 11-12. Ducks: Muscovy 18-25, Pekin 32. Turkeys Young Hens 43-47, Young Toms 25-33.

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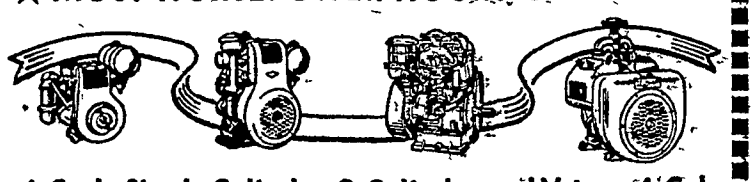

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MID-WINTER DROUGHT

Mid-winter drought is discouraging. Recent snows in the Garden Spot have made the outlook somewhat brighter, but the prospects of facing another dry season are not considered impossible. Such things are discouraging to report, especially when the local situation and that of other neighborhoods is considered.

Let's take a look around the country. Reports are that in the normally arid regions of the Great Southwest, there has been more than ample rainfall. In fact the deserts are blooming as the rose, to quote an anthem. Where it should be dry, it's wet. Where it should be wet, it's dry.

From St. Louis comes word that snow — two inches — fell after 47 days of drought had charged the city and people with static electricity. Napped carpets set up such charges that tingling shocks were common when a person touched metal. Weather Bureau records indicate no other period on record (since the 1870s) had been so dry. Concrete could be poured in temperatures that would normally prevent it. Dry winds carried away the vulnerable, dry topsoil.

A headline in the Adams County (Iowa) Free Press reports: "Sale of Water for Livestock Is Discontinued." For some time a number of farmers had been purchasing water from the city for their livestock, but now they must turn to some private source other than the city. Car washing has been halted by some service stations.

Another nearby town too discontinued sale of water to farmers, since the level of the reservoir lake is so low that sale must be stopped to conserve the water for city use. Water users who had been selling to people outside the town were ordered to stop such sales at once.

Back in the dry, dusty, desolate thirties, we well recall the water trains that passed along the Burlington Route from Omaha to Creston, Iowa — a railroad town of 8000, whose huge lakes had gone dry, whose water supply was naught. Only by pumping water from the muddy Missouri River, hauling it 80 or 90 miles by train tank cars could the city survive.

Rain makers are being discontinued, irrigation is coming into its own — as shown by conferences and conclusions at the recent Pennsylvania State Farm Show — but the ever-present or ever-possible problem looms constantly to challenge man's resources, man's disposition, man's plans.

RETROSPECT

Once in awhile, it's good to look over your shoulder and see what has gone before. Here at **Lancaster Farming**, we do that often. We've tried to offer sincerity, and perhaps one of our most distant readers has given us one of the best boosts we've had in many a moon:

"Mr. Editor: Thank you for the issues of **Lancaster Farming** you so graciously sent to us. I particularly enjoy the Bible comments, the ladies' household suggestions. The children — and there are five — were delighted with the coloring section at Christmas. All in all we think it's well done and that you're doing a good job. God bless you."

Our thanks to Tim and Mrs. Cronin, their Timmy, Mickey, Nora, Dennis and Terry.

TELEPHONE EXPANSION

Today the nation is in the midst of one of the greatest expansions in the telephone industry history has ever known. More and more rural families are enjoying for the first time the advantage of a farm telephone.

In Pennsylvania, 70 per cent of the farm homes have telephones. In Lancaster County, 5,627 farms — of the county's total 7,952 — reported telephones in 1954, against 4,551 in 1950. By the end of 1956, more and more farm homes in the County will have this convenience.

Throughout the Southern end of the County, this expansion has been more marked. Modernization of the entire system is underway, and eventually dial will be available everywhere

But there are many parts of the country still chugging along on their one-cylinder crank phone, sharing the line with a score or more neighbors. Lancaster County is sharing the lead, however, with construction of new exchanges, conversion to dial, modernization. In this respect, we might consider ourselves mighty fortunate.

50 Years Ago

This Week on Lancaster Farms

(This Week In 1905)
By JACK REICHARD

..The largest field of corn on record in the United States, if not in the world, was harvested on the farm of Jacob Adams, in Sac County, near Odebolt, Iowa, according to a report in the St. Paul Dispatch, 50 years ago this week. The amount of acreage planted was not given, but 105 men working 200 horses and 37 corn cutters had shucked corn in the estimated amount of 300,000 bushels.

(Editor's Note: The "Adams Ranch" was one of the largest "spreads" in the State where Corn is king. Its thousands of acres were most unusual for Iowa, and its fame has been long lived. EJN).

.. What was believed to be the record price paid for a hen in this country up to 1906, was a buff, Plymouth Rock hen purchased by Drevenstedt & Hutchins, New York fanciers, at the Boston Poultry Show, for $750, fifty years ago this week.

. In the western section of the nation a German, said to have been an illiterate, purchased a tract of 70 acres of cut-off timber land in the Hood River sector in the state of Washington, in 1896, at $10 per acre. This he planted with Spitzenberg and Newtown Pippin apples. Ten years later, during this same week of January, 1906, he was offered $70,000 for the tract.

. The Farm Bureau Commodity Division of the Lancaster County Farm Bureau, announced the appointment of Christian G. Landis, of Nottingham, as representative for the southern section of the county for 1931.

. The Friendly Farmers' Club held their annual meeting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Eben Crowl. Officers elected for 1931 included Eben Crowl, president; Lester Gallagher, vice president, and Ida W. Coates, secretary-treasurer.

... A colony of Swiss farmers who had moved into Missouri announced that starting early in 1906 they would start the manufacture of genuine Swiss cheese, the first of that product to be made in this country.

... A large barn on the farm owned by F. H. Manahan, Glen Roy, Chester County, and occupied by Michael Reinhart, between Bartville and Kirkwood, in the southern section of the county, was completely destroyed by fire. Reinhart was away that day with his team. Some straw, hay, and farm implements were burned but all livestock was saved. The origin of the blaze could not be determined.

25 Years Ago

Twenty-five years ago this week a fire destroyed the farmhouse of Nelson Barr and family in the Mt. Hope Methodist Church area, near Quarryville. The fire, said to have been started by sparks from an outside kitchen stove pipe, occured while the men were in the cellar sorting potatoes. The Quarryville Fire Co. was called but before the firemen could arrive at the scene the entire house was enveloped in the roaring blaze. Most of the contents including clothing were burned.

The barn and other out-buildings were saved with great difficulty, since a strong wind was blowing that day.

.. Over in Chester County nearly 1,000 chickens were burned on the farm of Max Brook, West Brandywine Twp. Coatesville fire companies brought the fire under control.

.. A bill authorizing the distribution for relief purposes in this country of 20 million bu. of wheat held by the Federal Farm Board, was passed by Congress and sent to President Hoover for signing

. J. J. Stoltzfus, near Mount Vernon Hotel, was sentenced at Lancaster to the Eastern Penitentiary for a term of 1 year and 5 months to 2 years and 10 months, and a fine of $500, for chicken stealing.

. Officials of the Westbrook Dairy and Produce Co. in the lower end of the county were reelected at the annual stockholder's meeting held at the residence of Edgar Kirk. The officers included Edgar Kirk, president and treasurer; D. Lester Gallagher, secretary; W. Scott Drenner, vice president; H. E. Spence, David M. Gallagher, Walter M. Grubb and Edwin M. Booth, directors.

.Twenty-five years ago this week S. Edward Gable, president of the Lancaster Automobile Club, urged extreme caution be exercised when walking and driving on the highways at this time of year. He stated: "Walking on highways in rural sections in the dusk of evening and after dark, so prevalent at this season when days are short, makes extreme caution imperative on the part of the pedestrian and the automobile driver as well". No sounder advice could be given in this day!

Voice Of Lancaster Farms

AND FARM FRIENDS

(Readers are invited to write comments on Lancaster Farming, about current events, or other topics. Letters should be brief, and must be signed. Names will be withheld if requested. — Editor).

TO ARIZONA

HONEY BROOK — Am enclosing $1.00 and ask you to send **Lancaster Farming** to my daughter who is an arthritic and has been living in Arizona several years. She enjoys reading about Lancaster County and I know she will enjoy the recipes, etc., on the women's page. We enjoy your paper very much, find lots of interesting things in it and have tried some of the recipes. My daughter is Miss Dorothy B. Kern, Tucson, Arizona. I know she will be pleased to receive **Lancaster Farming** — Mrs. John A. Kern.

GOOD WISHES

LITITZ — With good wishes. — Hopeland Farms.

WISHING SUCCESS

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY — Enclosed find $1.00 for one year's charter subscription. Wishing you great success. — Mrs. Marshall B. Golt.

FOR NEW SUBSCRIBER

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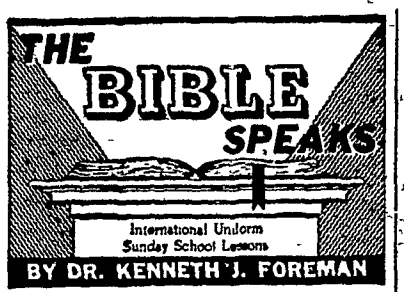

Background Scripture: Luke 15:1-32.
Devotional Reading: John 3:1-11.

Lure of Life

Lesson for January 29, 1956

A coin, a sheep, a man—what do these three have in common? Jesus told a triple story using these three so different objects to bring out the same point. What the coin, the sheep, the man had in common was that each was lost. They were out of place, useless, in fact doing more harm than good. But the young man who went to a far country was different in an important way. He knew what he was doing, or thought he knew. He wanted life, and he got it, only it was the wrong sort If you had asked him at first why he was going away, he would have said, "I want to live!" But he ended in a pig-pen.

Dr. Foreman

The Lost Are All Around

Men and women get lost today for the same reason. They look for life in the wrong place. Victims of narcotics, or of alcohol, wanted something more out of life than they had, and they thought drink or drugs would help them. Every patient in an alcoholic ward is missing somewhere,—missing from payrolls, from homes they had or might have had, missing from the ports they might have reached if they had not made shipwreck of themselves. And for every patient in some alcoholic ward there are a great many others who, though they may not have gone so far, are just as lost. What ought a Christian's attitude to be, toward such people? Surely if Jesus taught anything plainly, it is that God does not despise or hate lost persons; he loves them and does not want them to stay lost. So the Christian who shares the mind of Christ will neither hate nor despise the lost people all around us today.

Prevention Is Better

One of the commonest ways of getting lost is through drink. Everything is done in advertising and in other ways to make it appear that you haven't really lived till you use "our old famous brand" of expensive alcohol. Young people need to have the other side of it shown to them, not in Don'ts but in Do's. Educator H. H. Hill (as adapted in "Listen") has put it something like this. What do you want from life? Topnotch health? You can't have it if you drink. A serene, satisfying, law-abiding life? Not with liquor for your companion! Life on the highest moral level? Not for drinkers and dopers. Do you want to wake up every morning with a clear head? Do you want uninterrupted success in a profession? Do you want to save money? To be a good driver? To form the habit of meeting your problems squarely without a fuzzy mind? Do you want to be able to enjoy a good time without the danger of flirting with a habit-forming drug?-Do you want guaranteed immunity to one of America's four most damaging diseases? Do you want to be an example of good and not evil, for the young people in your community? All right,—that's living, and you can't have that kind of living and the alcohol habit too.

Testimonials

Maybe the main reason why the prodigal son went wrong was that he listened to the wrong people. Men can always be found who can be paid to pose in liquor ads. How about listening to some free testimonials on the other side? Ezra Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, says: "Knowing the infinite joy and peace of mind which result from never having used narcotics, smoked cigarette, or taken a drink of liquor . . . or knowingly profaning the name of Deity, I can sincerely recommend such a course to all." Dr. Kate Newcomb, written up in the Reader's Digest in June, 1954, says: "Naturally I do not use intoxicants. Why start a habit so many people must break?" Lewis Hoad of tennis fame speaks for many another athlete: "It is hard enough to get anywhere in life, without liquor or tobacco hindering one's chances for the future." Gil Dodds, the track star, says: "God has given me a body which I should not defile." Do you want to live? Such people know how.

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Phone Building Concrete Poured

The weather was snowy, the ground was white, but nothing stopped the Sordoni Construction Co. when it was time to pour ready-mix concrete at the new Pennsylvania Community Telephone Co. Building in Quarryville. Luther Davis, construction superintendent, heads the crew. Here the east wall is starting to rise.

Dirt excavated for the basement of the Quarryville Building is being hauled to Kirkwood and Penn Hill for fills where other new Exchanges are under construction by the Telephone Company. Tuesday the cutover to dial is scheduled for Atglen and Gap, which with the Quarryville, Kirkwood and Penn Hill projects will extend further rural telephone service in the southern end of Lancaster County and the southwestern corner of Chester County.

Workmen here report frost and frozen ground has been no great problem, although other projects underway by the company elsewhere in Pennsylvania have been delayed, and some suspended until Spring because of frozen ground. (Lancaster Farming Photo.)

First Earth Being Turned

First earth was turned recently on the new Pennsylvania Community Telephone Co. Building, Quarryville. Earth mover and power shovel combined to start digging the basement which will house cable vaults. Work is progressing on schedule, despite adverse weather conditions. (Lancaster Farming Photo.)

Holstein Top in Shady Willow's Sale at $1,400

Selling to J. R Hansel, Clearfield county, the five-year-old Holstein cow, Sunrise Farm Dawn Burke, offered in Shady Willow's Holstein dispersal Friday, brought a top of $1,400, highest selling Holstein cow in Lebanon county for several years.

Her annual record included 19,253 lbs of milk, 810.8 lbs of fat, with an average test of 4.2 per cent.

Harry S. Good, Shady Willow owner, started his herd in the eastern section of Lancaster County, moving to Shady Willow about 18 months ago.

Lancaster county buyers included: Edward J. Kreider, R1, Quarryville; C. S. Petersheim, R1 Ronks; Edward Y Hershey, New Holland; Richard H. Hershey, R1 Manheim and Arthur S Kauffman R1, Parkesburg.

Among those buying from Lebanon County were: William Meyer, R1 Myerstown; Charles Graby, R2 Annville; Allen A. Kleinfelter, R1 Lebanon; Grant Krall Jr., R1, Lebanon; Harold Heiser, Palmyra; Arthur Heisey, Fredericksburg, and Clarence Stoner, R1 Jonestown.

WHICH IS WHICH?

Along those lines, you've probably heard about the couple of recruits who were bird hunting when one of them shouted to the other that he found a dead animal on the road.

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"Leave him lay," shouted back his partner. "It's either a skunk or a sergeant?

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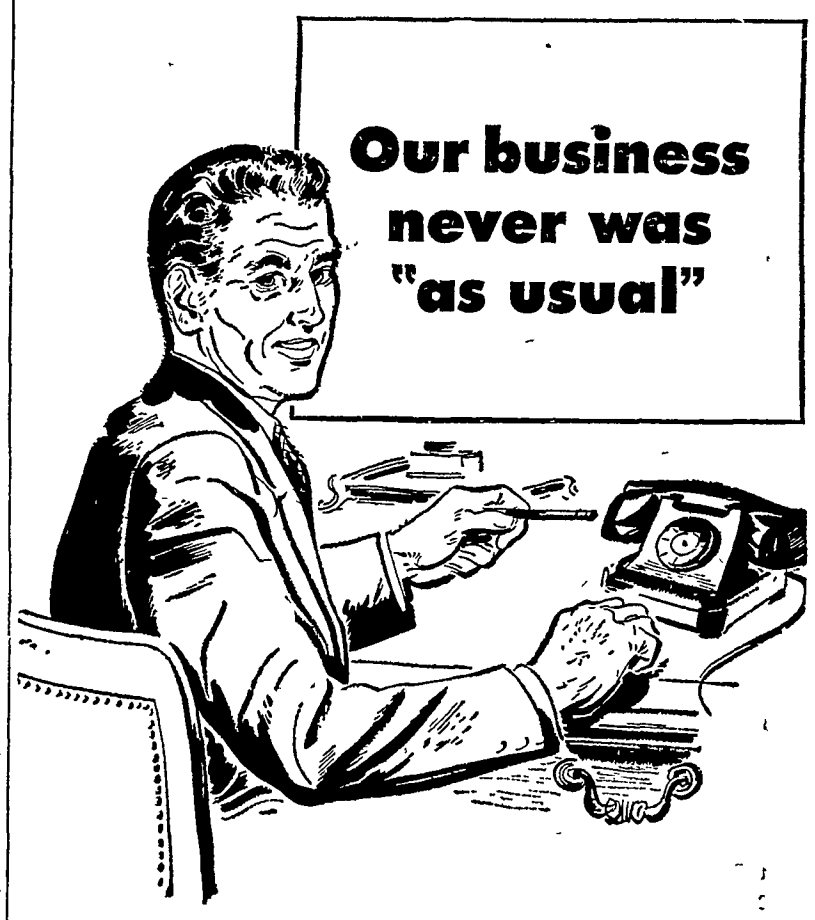

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Farm Women 8 Initiate Two

Two new members were initiated into the Society of Farm Women No 8 meeting Jan 21 at the home of Mrs Robert F. Eshleman west of Mount Joy They are Mrs. Clarence Felty and Mrs Harold Ney Mrs. Charles Felty, president, officiated and made program arrangements.

Devotions were in charge of Mrs Clyde Sumpman Roll call was answered by a New Year's resolution A report of the Farm Womens' state convention in Harrisburg was given by Mrs Paul Erb.

"The seven Basic Foods" was the subject of a talk by Mrs Eshleman and the club president, and a demonstration of "'Meals for Busy Days" was given by the pair

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs Eshleman, Mrs Felty, Mrs Sumpman, and Mrs Norman Garber. Anna Mae Eby is reporter.

SOCIETY OF FARM WOMEN 20.

Society of Farm Women No. 20 sewed for the Cancer Society Jan. 19 at the home of Mrs Joseph Best, Kirkwood. A covered dish luncheon was held at the all-day event

Seventy-five cancer dressings were made by the following members Mrs Park Reinhart, the president; Mrs Jack Ferguson, Mrs Elam Hess and Mrs. Silas Rice

Farm Women No. 15

Thirty-five members of the Society of Farm Women No 15 were present at a meeting held Jan 19 at the home of Mrs James T. Hastings.

Mrs Robert Weicksel, the president, conducted the meeting She wore the lovely corsage of orchids presented to her on Monday, when attending the State convention, and also brought her cuckoo clock, given her at Christmas by the Society, to show the ladies.

Reports by the delegates at the Convention were given by Mrs Weicksel and Mrs. James Hastings.

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For the Farm Wife and Family

You know, sitting inside by a warm fire with the snow drifting around outside makes you realize how beautiful a Pennsylvania winter can be. Of course, it was a bit treacherous underfoot for both walking and driving, and with many of the roads down in our end of the county blocked several times, travel was more than difficult.

What a change this has been from Christmas. How well the snow-capped evergreens would have looked during the holidays

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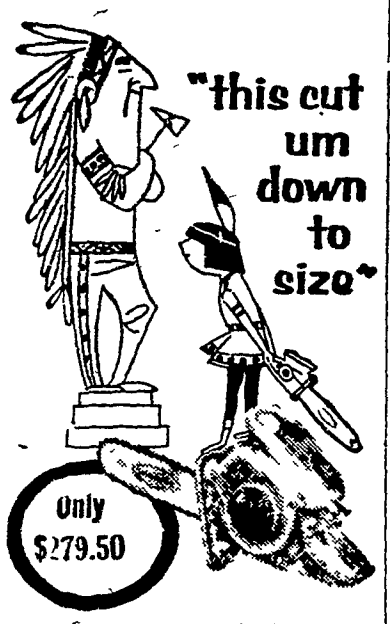
Winterbime is a wonderful time for planning. You can sit and thumb through the catalogs — no wonder we used to call them "dream books." You can sit and plan what you're going to plant this spring, or better still bring out your movies, snapshots or color slides of those summer days, and see what a difference the season can make.



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We've variety of all kinds for this week's Women's Page and this week's winner of a free subscription is Mrs. W. C. Hibshman of Terre Hill.

Mrs. Hibshman writes: "I received a copy of **Lancaster Farming** and enjoyed reading the Women's Page. Here is a recipe for a chocolate cake which sounds different, but is very delicious

CHOCOLATE CAKE

One cup sugar
Two cups flour
One and one-half teaspoons soda
Four tablespoons cocoa
Sift together these ingredients, then add
One cup cold water
Mix well and bake in a 350-degree oven.

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Of all the types of lettuce to be found in markets, the crisp headed iceberg seems to be the most popular in America. When choosing your lettuce, look for heads that are fresh, crisp, tender and fairly firm to hard.

Lettuce keeps well in the refrigerator and can be stored there for several days, even a week if the lettuce is very fresh when purchased, in a plastic bag or in the hydrator Wash lettuce either before it is put away or just before use. During washing, be sure to remove any bruised or rusty outer leaves Thoroughly drain the washed lettuce and pat dry with a towel

A very simple salad, but one that pleases everyone, is made by cutting the head of lettuce into wedge-shaped pieces. Pour over it your favorite dressing and serve on individual salad plates. Wilted lettuce salad, made with crisp bacon is another favorite This is simple to make and can be quite elegant.

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If your nylon curtains have begun to droop, try startching them with permanent starch and pressing them lightly with a steam iron. This will work wonders. When you are ready to store these curtains, it is very important to remove all starch.

Some housewive have had a good deal of trouble with their new 'wonder fabric' curtains and drapes falling into holes. Manufacturers tell us this is because we have not had the drapes or curtains cleaned or washed often enough. It is recommended that you have them dry cleaned or washed, depending on the fabric, at least twice each year. House dust is most harmful to these wonder fabrics.

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Have you ever had a hard time getting muffins out of the pan? If you have, you will be glad to add this to your bag of tricks — place the pan on a cold wet rag for a few minutes immediately after it comes from the oven.

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"Recently I sent in a subscription for **Lancaster Farming** and we enjoy it very much," writes Mrs. Lester Faus, RD 2, Manheim. Continuing, "I especially like the Women's Page. I thought I'd write and tell you a few hints I find helpful:

Use Scotch Tape to clean your felt, velour, etc., hats. It takes any dust of lint right off.

"Another thing I find helpful is to pin skirts by the belt on wire clothes hangers with clothes pins.

"Also: to iron around plastic buttons and such, cover them with aluminum foil.

"Here is an old recipe which we enjoy," Mrs. Faus adds:

EGG CHEESE or SWEET CURDS

Two quarts and one cup sweet milk
Six eggs and one pint thick milk

Let sweet milk get good and hot, not boiling, just at boiling point, then have eggs beaten well and mix with thick milk. Pour into sweet milk, but don't boil. Leave on stove until it separates, stirring frequently Pour in cheese molds or fine sieve

"Delicious when cold and eaten with molasses on it" she advises.

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Here are some other household hints offered as timely reminders from the Pennsylvania State University College of Agriculture

HOME CALENDAR

Place TV — Keep the TV set away from heat or a frequently opened window, Doris L Snook, Penn State extension home management specialist, advises. Air circulation, but not a blast of air, is necessary for trouble-free operation, just as with an electric refrigerator

Calories Hide — If you want to lose weight or hold your weight at its present level, avoid "hidden" calories. These are obtained by "eating to save food," by testing, or in the fat of fried foods, spreads, and gravies, according to Helen L. Denning, Penn State extension nutritionist

Press Trousers — After you've steam-pressed trousers, hang them by the cuffs in a trouser hanger to dry before they're worn, says Bernice J. Tharp, Penn State extension clothing specialist.

Heat Home Canned Meat — Heat home canned meat in the jar so pieces slip out easily. Place the jar in a pan of hot water for about five minutes, Marjorie J Wormeck, Penn State extension nutritionist, advises.

Season Salad — If you're watching your weight, try lemon juice with salt, pepper, and herbs on salads instead of salad dressings, Louise W. Hamilton, Penn State extension nutritionist, suggests.

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"Gentlemen, I am receiving two of your **Lancaster Farming** papers weekly I paid for one and won one for recipes and household hints Would you be so kind as to add or extend my subscription for another year?" asks Mrs. Martin Huyett of R1 Narvon.

That we will do, Mrs. Huyett, and here she offers some

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Fine, dry steel wool will often prove satisfactory for removing spots from wallpaper, paint on floors, and is less harsh than sandpaper.

Dying ferns can sometimes be revived by pouring a tablespoon of castor oil around the roots.

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Common table salt, rubbed on non-washable window shades will renew their freshness.

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Peroxide of hydrogen will remove perfume stains from bureau scarves.

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Wash day need not be such a chore in your home Lots of hot water, a good washing machine, and the right laundry accessories should add up to satisfactory laundering results. They should, but too many times they fail. There is only one thing that can prevent this falure — common — sense

For example — it make sense to sort laundry into three piles — white, colored, and hand-washable White wash responds best to very hot water. Fast-colored cottons, linens and nylons do better if washed in 110-degree water and thus do better if washed separately.

Before washing any new colored garment, always check the manufacturer's tag for washing instructions. You may find that the garment should not be washed in the machine but by hand.

(Continued on page 7)

The Miller of the Dee

There dwelt a miller, hale and bold,
Beside the river Dee;
He worked and sang from morn till night —
No lark so blithe as he;
And this the burden of his song
Forever used to be:
"I envy nobody — no, not I,
And nobody envies me!"

"Thou'rt wrong, my friend," said good King Hal,
"As wrong as wrong can be;
For could my heart be light as thine,
I'd gladly change with thee.
And tell me now, who makes thee sing,
With voice so loud and free,
While I am sad, though I'm a king,
Beside the river Dee?"

The miller smiled and doffed his cap:
"I earn my bread," quoth he;
"I love my wife, I love my friend,
I love my children three;
I owe no money I can not pay;
I thank the river Dee,
That turns the mill that grinds the corn
That feeds my babes and me."

"Good-friend," said Hal, and sighed the while,
"Farewell! and happy be!
But say no more, if thou'dst be true,
That no one envies thee.
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Women's Page

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Rayons demand lukewarm water — about 100 degrees. Silks and woolens wash best in 95 to 100-degree water. When using a bleach of any kind, make sure it is safe for the fabric. Read the directions carefully. Nylon and other man-made fabrics require special bleaches and sometimes, when the water is hard, a water-softener is necessary.

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Remember, we're still anxious to hear from you, and we welcome your letters. If you have a recipe or a household hint — send them in. Even though you've written before, or even though your letter has appeared in these columns, we'll be glad to share your ideas or recipes again with our readers.

Write: Women's Page, Lancaster Farming, Quarryville, Pa.

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Sweet potatoes offer a wide variety in the menu, and we are sure every housekeeper recognizes their nutritional value. With the help of these recipes you may be able to maintain interest in your sweet potato dishes.

BAKED SWEET POTATOES

Select potatoes of uniform size. Wash and trim off ends. Wipe with a slightly greased rag Bake in an oven 300 degrees until soft. Make a crisscross cut in potato and place a generous lump of butter on top. Serve hot.

SWEET POTATOES AND SAUSAGE

Baked potato
Sausages
Sugar

Skin and cut potatoes in halves lengthwise. Fry sausages, then fry potatoes. Arrange on a platter with the sausages in the center Sprinkle potatoes with a little sugar. Serve hot.

CANDIED SWEET POTATOES

Six medium sweet potatoes
One-half teaspoon salt
One-fourth cup water
One-third cup melted butter
One cup brown sugar
One-half cup chopped pecans
Juice of one-half orange — one-half orange sliced thin

Wash and cook potatoes until tender. Drain, peel, cut in halves lengthwise. Arrange in a shallow greased baking dish Pour juice from one-half of the orange over potatoes, sprinkle with chopped pecans Cover with the thin orange slices. Make a syrup by cooking butter and sugar together for five minutes Pour over potatoes and sprinkle with salt Bake 1 hour in an oven 300 degrees, basting frequently. The potatoes should be transparent when done

SWEET POTATO CASSEROLE

Two and one-half cups mashed sweet potatoes
Three tablespoons melted butter
One-half teaspoon salt
One-fourth cup hot orange juice
One cup crushed pineapple, drained
Marshmallows, cut in half

Add butter, salt and orange juice to mashed potatoes. Beat well. Add pineapple Pour into a greased casserole Dot with butter Bake in an oven 375 degrees for 15 minutes. Top with marshmallow halves and bake until marshmallows are golden brown.

New Toppings Spice Pumpkin Pie for Any-Season Treat

BY DOROTHY MADDOX

NO need to wait for autumn to savor the deliciousness of pumpkin pie. Canned and frozen pumpkin is at your finger tips in the stores, all year around. And if you're not in the baking mood, the old-time favorite of grandma's kitchen is waiting for you on the shelves of your bakery or food shop.

Now comes the modern touch—a dramatic topping—for a spicy pumpkin pie, purchased or homemade. The toppings are a new idea but their flavors are time-tested.

Three delicious toppings for pumpkin pie. From left: Orange-cheese topping; walnut cruch topping; apple-cream topping.

Apple-Cream Topping

One cup heavy cream, 1 tablespoon confectioners' sugar, 2 tablespoons apple butter, 8 banana slices, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 8 pecan halves, one 8 or 9-inch pumpkin pie.

Whip cream with confectioners' sugar until stiff. Fold in apple butter and spoon onto pie in 8 mounds. Dip banana slices into lemon juice. Place 1 banana slice and 1 pecan half on each whipped cream mound.

Walnut-Crunch Topping

One-half cup brown sugar, firmly packed, 1 tablespoon milk, 1 tablespoon honey, ½ cup chopped walnuts, one 8 or 9-inch pumpkin pie.

Combine brown sugar, milk, honey and chopped nuts. Spread over top of pumpkin pie. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F) for 10 minutes.

Orange-Cheese Topping

One egg white, 2 tablespoons brown sugar, dash of salt, ¼ cup orange marmalade, 1 (3-ounce) package cream cheese, ⅛ teaspoon cinnamon, 1 tablespoon orange marmalade, one 8 or 9-inch pumpkin pie

Combine egg white, brown sugar and salt. Beat until meringue holds in stiff peaks. Blend marmalade, cream cheese and cinnamon. Fold into egg white mixture. Spread over top of pumpkin pie. Swirl 1 tablespoon orange marmalade through topping. Refrigerate until served.

SWEET POTATO PUFFS

Six medium sweet potatoes
Parsley
Salt
One-fourth teaspoon pepper
Three tablespoons melted bacon fat
Three slices cooked bacon slices

Cook and mash sweet potatoes. Add the salt, pepper and bacon fat. Mix well. Cool. When cool enough to handle form into round balls, 2 inches in diameter Sprinkle with chopped bacon and brush with melted butter. Brown in an oven 275 degrees for 15 minutes Garnish with parsley and serve hot.

SWEET POTATO PONE

Three cups grated raw sweet potatoes
One-half cup melted butter
One cup brown sugar
Two eggs well beaten
One cup milk
One-fourth teaspoon nutmeg
Few broken pieces orange peel
One-fourth teaspoon cinnamon

To the grated sweet potato add melted butter, sugar, eggs, and milk Stir in orange peel, cinnamon and nutmeg. Mix thoroughly. Bake in a buttered baking dish, in an oven 325 degrees for 1 hour. Stir constantly while cooking.

Interest in religion is growing among college students.

GOLDEN STICKS

Peel and cut sweet potatoes into sticks one-half inch in thickness. Drop sticks into hot fat one-half inch in depth. When golden brown lower heat and cook until done. Drain on absorbent paper.

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SEAFOOD CROQUETTES

Two cups cooked rice
One and one-half tablespoons butter
Two tablespoons flour
One-half cup milk
One 7-oz. can tuna, flaked
Two beaten egg yolks
One teaspoon salt
Three tablespoons grated American cheese
Two egg whites slightly beaten
One and one-half to two cups dry bread crumbs

Melt butter, flour and blend, gradually add milk, stirring constantly. Cook over low heat until thick and smooth. Add hot rice to the white sauce, add tuna, egg yolks, salt and cheese. Spread on a plate and chill thoroughly. Shape into cones, dip in egg whites then in bread crumbs. Fry in deep fat until golden brown. Serve on rings of pineapple. Garnish with lemon wedges

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Before we wind up we'll first answer a question from Mrs. Luther J. Parmer, R2, Cochranville: "Can a Chester Countyan come in?" Absolutely, we answer, but we'll let Mrs Parmer continue: "Please find one dollar for a year's subscription and thanks for the free copies I received earlier.

"I like the recipes in your paper as I bake a lot for market. Am sending one for Rice Pudding:

RICE PUDDING

One quart rich milk
Four tablespoons rice
One-half cup sugar
One teaspoon vanilla
One-fourth teaspoon salt

Bake in slow oven, stir until it gets thick, then let brown.

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For our closer, Mrs Ray Snader of Terre Hill advises a

HOUSEHOLD HINT

Don't throw away that old piano stool. Paint it to match your kitchen Sit down to do more household chores. It's ideal for ironing as it moves to and fro and is adjustable in height.

That's about it for now — keep those letters coming and we'll See you next week.

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Q. Prior to our marriage my husband was supporting an illegimate child. Now that we are married and expecting our own child I would like to know if he is still obligated to support this child since it was born in another state and now resides with its mother there. I understand that the mother only stayed in Philadelphia long enough to file claim for support of this child.

L. W.

A. If the mother of the illegitimate child of which your husband is the father secured a Support Order in Philadelphia through Court procedings, then the fact that the child was born in another State or that it now resides with its mother in another State will not relieve your husband from his obligations to support his illegitimate child, in accordance with the Court's order.

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Q. I would like to know what steps follow, when a person defaults in their payments on a FHA Loan. A year after this loan was made, the house was sold at Sheriff Sale. The loan was made for repairs and remodeling. This was 6 years ago. The party concerned owns no property of any kind. Can wages be attached for this debt?

Mac

A. In Pennsylvania wages cannot be attached for the unpaid ballance of an FHA loan. In some State wages can be attached for all types of civil debts but that is not true in Pennsylvania.

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Q. I worked for two young men in their restaurant. I was the manager from April to August. All I got was two week's pay and they still owe me for 12 weeks. They lost their restaurant. Is there any way I could make them pay me? I am the only one that was working. I support myself and have been unable to get a job since. My pay was $30 per week. I learned that they bought a new car since they lost the restaurant.

S. P.

A. You should start suit immediately against the two young men for the recovery of the wages due you under your contract of employment, plus interest. If you get a judgment against them, it is possible you can collect it through levy on their new automobile, unless it is encumbered.

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Q. My sink in the kitchen is equipped with a hot water faucet, but there is no cold water faucet. The landlord has promised to have it repaired, but has never done so I have been living here for almost a year Would I be doing right if I would have a plumber in to repair this, and pay him out of the rent money? If so, could he make me move for this action?

A Check the provisions of your lease Generally, a lease provides that the tenant shall be responsible for all repairs However, if the landlord's promise was one of the things which induced you to rent the premises, or if his promise was definite enough and you have witnesses to it, there is a possibility that you could enforce it by setting off cost of repair work against the rent. Such promise will undoubtedly be difficult to prove, and a deduction from the rent might result in the landlord levying on your personal property and evicting your from the premises. It would be better to keep the pressure on him and force him to make the repairs as promised.

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MACHINE RECORDS

Machine record keeping has been instituted by the Southeastern Pennsylvania Artificial Breeding Cooperative with installation of six new International Bookkeeping Machine Co. units. Punch cards eventually will handle all the cooperative's record keeping

STUMPF HOLSTEIN TOPS

John G. Stumpf, R7 Lancaster, topped the Red Rose Dairy Herd Improvement Association in December when his registered Holstein, Muriel Piebe Veeman, an aged cow, produced 24,878 lbs. of milk and 951.8 lbs of butterfat in 305 days, milked three times daily

Farm Calendar

JANUARY

Jan. 23-27 - Rural Electrification Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 23-Feb. 4 - Market Milk Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Jan. 25-27 — 44th Annual Convention, The Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs, Lycoming Hotel, Williamsport.

Jan. 28 — Farm Society No. 5 meeting, at home of Mrs Edith Longenecker, Manheim RD 1.

Jan 28 — The Friendly Farmers Club meeting, at the James Wood home, Nottingham.

Jan. 30, 31-Feb. 1 — Annual Conference for Fertilizer and Lime Salesmen, Pennsylvania State University.

Jan 30-Feb. 11 - DHIA Supervisor Training, Pennsylvania U.

FEBRUARY

Feb. 1 — All Day Beef Cattle Outlook, Dr. William L Henning, speaker, starts 10 a m, Guernsey Sales Pavilion, east of Lancaster.

Feb 1-29 - Dairy Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U

Feb 1-29 - Livestock Farming Short Course Pennsylvania U.

Feb 2 — Society of Farm Women 2, home of Mrs. Joseph Best, R2, Kirkwood.

Feb 11 — Farm Society 7, Leacock Presbyterian Church social rooms.

Feb. 7 - Board of Directors Meeting, Lancaster County Farmers Assn, Fred Sollenberger home, Narvon

Feb 14 — Society of Farm Women No 22 meeting at the home of Mrs Paul Miller, Lancaster R7 Bandage sew

Feb 14 — Society of Farm Women No 22 covered dish social, members' husbands will be guests. Farm Bureau Building, Lancaster.

Feb. 15 — Deadline for requests to be placed on spray service letter mailing list, Harry S. Sloat, Associate Lancaster county agent

Feb 22 - Annual Meeting, Lancaster County District of Southeastern Pennsylvania Artifical Breeding Cooperative, Landisville Fire Hall, 7:30 p. m

Feb. 27-29 - Sheepmen's Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

Feb. 23 — Annual Meeting, Lancaster County Soil Conservation District, Lampeter-Strasburg High School, 7:30 p. m.

MARCH

March 5-9 - Feed Dealers and Millers' Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 6-8 - Beef Cattle Herdsmen's Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 12-16 - Grassland Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

March 12-16 — Hardwood lumber grading, inspection short sourse, The Pennsylvania State University.

March 26-30 — Dairy herdsmen short course, The Pennsylvania State University.

Poultry Sale To Republic Of Germany OK

WASHINGTON — (USDA) — The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced an agreement between the United States and the Federal Republic of Germany under Title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Public Law 480) as amended. Under the agreement, approximately $1 2 million worth of United States poultry (frozen chickens and turkeys) will be sold to German importers for Deutschemarks (German currency).

The U. S. poultry industry now has an opportunity to introduce its products to the world's largest importers of poultry, according to Earl L. Butz, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Basis for Trade

"This new arrangement could be the basis for establishing a mutually helpful trade between our two countries in a product not previously supplied to the Federal Republic of Germany by the U. S.," he said.

"This is the first agreement to be signed with a foreign government providing for the sale of poultry for foreign currency.

"Since the U. S. poultry industry is operating at a very high level with reasonable prices prevailing for its products, representatives of the poultry industry have been working closely with USDA during the past several months to find and develop new markets beyond the boundaries of the U. S. for chickens and turkeys," Mr. Butz said.

Early Exports Small

"Historically, the poultry industry has exported only small amounts of its products."

Sales under this program will be made by private United States traders. Details of the purchase authorization to be issued will be contained in a separate release. The bulk of the Deutschemarks accruing from this sale will be used for development of markets for U. S. agricultural commodities in the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Federal Republic of Germany is now the world's largest importer of poultry products, purchasing more than 31 million lbs during 1954 and 1955.

U S. reports progress in easing import curbs

U S wood pulp output up 14 per cent in 9 months.

Grandfather's Clock in Sale Hits $367 Top

Selling at $367.50 and $330, two antique grandfather clocks headlined the auction of personal property offered Saturday by the estate of Fanny Y. Renninger.

One hundred ninety-five shares of the Farmers National Bank and Trust Co. of New Holland sold from $52 to $58, considerably above par value.

Other items sold were: walnut high chest of drawers, $200; antique bureau, $122.50; walnut stretcher tables, $77.50 and $50; large settee, $75; small wash stand, $60; drop-leaf table, $44; six antique chairs, $16.50 each; rocker, $32 50; old china pitcher, $21; wine glass, $9; pewter plate, $6; six silver teaspoons, $15. Frank L. Stellon, Leacock, was auctioneer.

HER TWO BURDENS

Grandma was given the new bride a heart-to-heart talk.

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Poultry Advisory Group Asks More Research for Healthier Birds

High-priority needs for intensive research on the disease ornithosis, on the composition of poultry meat and eggs, and on alternative programs of sanitary processing and inspection of poultry were considered by the Poultry Research and Marketing Advisory Committee at its annual meeting in Washington Jan. 12 to 14.

Ornithosis is a disease of turkeys, chickens, and other birds and animals. Its study was urged because it can be transmitted to workers in poultry processing plants and to other persons. In man the disease resembles pneumonia.

Sanitary Processing

Poultry and egg composition studies advocated by the committee include investigation of compounds that may be involved in toughness, texture, flavor, appearance, and other quality factors.

Sanitary processing and inspection of poultry for wholesomeness would be evaluated for effect on marketing organization, trade channels, and costs, and on charges, if any, in competition relationships among plants of various capacities.

The committee urged also that research on poultry by-products keep pace with the growth of the industry, which is of great economic importance in every area of the country.

The following are among other top-priority needs considered by the committee at the meeting:

Top-Priority Needs

Production: Expand and initiate studies to establish standards and techniques for the elimination of all bacterial contamination and for evaluating the potency and safety of poultry vaccines.

Expand work on immunization against visceral lymphomatosis, one of a group of poultry diseases—avian leukosis complex—which is the greatest single cause of losses to poultry producers.

PENNSYLVANIA ASC COMMITTEE Charges Announced:

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson announced the appointment of James S. Nicholson of Muncy as a member and Edward J. Fleming Sr. of Andalusia as chairman of the Pennsylvania Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. Mr Fleming has been a member of the Committee since 1954. Ralph L. Culver, Laceyville, current chairman, is retiring from the committee under the rotation policy now in effect for State ASC Committeemen.

Mr. Nicholson has been farming since 1921 and now owns and operates a farm on which he maintains a dairy herd and produces feed crops. He is a member of the board of directors of the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange and president of the local unit of the Dairyman's League. He also is active in the Holstein-Friesian Association, the Pennsylvania Artificial Breeding Association, the Grand League Federation, and has served in many agricultural extension activities. He is a graduate of Cornell University.

Arch V. Ritts, Valencia, is the third farmer-member of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. H. R. Albrecht, State College, director of the State Agricultural Extension Service, is ex offocio a member of the committee.

USDA SELLS 1 MILLION LBS. of Butter to France.

The U.S Department of Agriculture has announced the sale of 1,035,000 lbs of Commodity Credit Corporation-owned butter to the Dried Milk Pproducts Cooperative, Eau Claire, Wis, for commercial export to France As in the case of a previously-announced sale of 1.2 million lbs to another company for export to France, the funds were provided by the International Cooperation Administration as announced by ICA.

Prices for the sale announced are 36 cents per lb for 419,000 lbs and 36.5c per lb for 616,000 lbs, both f.a.s. the port of New York. The butter will be U. S, Grade A.

Including this sale, 3,714,200 lbs of CCC-owned butter have been sold for commercial export under special financing either through ICA or P. L 480. In addition, sales at a fixed price and on a bid basis bring the overall total sold for commercial export to 16,285,062 lbs of CCC-owned butter.

HEARING (FEB. 23). MINNEAPOLIS on U.S. Barley Standards:

An informal public hearing to consider proposals to revise the Official Grain Standards of the United States for Barley was announced by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The hearing will be Feb. 23, 1956, at 2 p. m. c.s.t., in Room 100, Minneapolis Grain Exchange Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

The propoed revision would emphasize factors of malting quality for six-rowed barley and set up specific subclass and grade requirements for such barley.

The percentage requirements for sound barley in the grades for barley for all purposes would be increased and the quantity of Thin barley would be restricted Other slight changes or refinements are proposed. The class Black barley would be eliminated No changes are proposed in the grades for the class Western barley or in the requirements for any of the special grades. The major changes proposed are in response to a recommendation of a special committee of the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.

Interested persons may submit written data, views, or arguments to the director, Grain Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U. S Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C, not later than March 10, 1956.

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON

Fearful Father — "My boy, the next time you have an urge to kiss the new maid, I'd suggest that you use a more secluded spot."

Freshman Fred — "Oh, the hall was dark enough, dad. Besides she thought it was you."

Croaking Frogs To Build Home In Quarryville

The Ancient Order of Croaking Frogs, of Quarryville, this week announced elaborate plans to construct a 32-by-44-foot, story and a half headquarters from whence will emanate official proceedings of the association. According to A. J. (Tony) Plastino the building will be ready about April 1.

Hence Quarryville's other weather forecaster came in for his ray of the publicity limelight while another nearby lodge was planning its 48th observance of Groundhog Day.

Assisting Mr. Plastino, chairman of the building and finance committee, will be Charles Resh, Howard McCardle and Paul Ritter.

The U S plans to release more aluminum to industry.

Robert L. Gregg Is Named Editor Of Sun, Ledger

The appointment of Robert L. Gregg, 716 Race avenue, Lancaster, as editor of The Quarryville Sun and Local Ledger at Christiana, was announced today by Alfred C. Alspach, publisher.

C Wallace Abel, who has been editor of the Quarryville Sun

Robert L. Gregg

and business manager since that paper's purchase by Alspach in 1954, will continue as manager of Octoraro Newspapers.

In announcing Gregg's appointment, Alspach said the move was designed to expand the news coverage of Southern Lancaster county area.

Gregg, a lifelong resident of Lancaster county, previously was an auditor for the Bureau of Fire Insurance Tax Fund and Police Pension Fund, of the Department of the Auditor General, at Harrisburg. He also worked part time as a copy reader for the York edition of the Sunday News.

Prior to that he had been chief librarian for Lancaster Newspapers and a proofreader for the New Era.

Gregg is the son of Mrs. Robert I. Price, and the late Richard L. Gregg. He is unmarried. He attended Lancaster public schools and was graduated from J. P. McCaskey High School in 1943. He also attended Franklin and Marshall College where he was a member of Chi Phi Fraternity.

He is a member of St. James Episcopal church, Lancaster. Gregg expects to move to Quarryville later.

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Jan. 27 — Dairy cattle, steers, dairy equipment, provender and pony, "George Dean Farm," Fred J. Herron, Owner, Elkton, Md., on Blue Ball Road, 1½ mi from Elkton, 12 noon.

Jan. 28 — Manheim Twp. farm by Phares M. Landis Estate, 2 p. m.

Jan. 28 — Rheems, household furniture by Isaac Hollinger.

Jan. 28 — Wilmer S. Smoker, 1 mi. south of Atglen, Old Rt. 41 in W. Fallowfield twp., Chester Co., livestock, farm machinery, 12 noon.

Jan. 28 — Paul B. Clay, Mt Airy, Md. farm machinery, 40 tractors, hardware and tools, 10 a m.

Jan. 30 — Klaylor Bros. Rheems, hardware, tools, farm machinery, 12 noon, and night.

Feb. 4 — Farm Equipment, 5 mi. north of Manheim on Mastersonville Road. Carl Enck.

Feb. 4 — Tractors, farm equipment, midway between Gap and White Horse, ¼ mi. off Route 897, household goods, 12 noon — George E. Hoar.

Saturday, Feb. 4 — 12 o'clock. Two miles east of Kirkwood in Colerain Twp, Lancaster Co. Pa. Cattle, farming implements and household goods by Carl Probst.

Feb. 4 — #207 North Market Street, Elizabethtown, real estate, Robert R Resconsin.

Feb. 7 — Simon S King, 1½ mi. north of Cochranville (W. Fallowfield Twp.), Chester Co., livestock, farming implements, 12 noon.

Feb. 8 — Wm. Z. & Paul Z. Martin, farm equipment, 11 a. m.

Feb. 9 — Ira A. Kurtz, ½ mi. north of Morgantown (Berks Co.), farm machinery, 12 noon.

Feb. 9 — Clyde E. Keener 1½ mi north of Lancaster (intersec. Rts 77 & 230), farm machinery, 60 tractors.

Feb. 11 — Livestock, implements, near Union Square, Wilbur Stoner.

Feb. 11 — Household goods, dwelling in East Petersburg, Ellen S. Landis Estate, 12:30 p. m.

Feb. 11 — Along Route #230, 3½ miles northwest of Elizabethtown, 5½ miles East of Middletown, at Bates School House, ¼ mile off Route #230; Farm of 22 acres, more or less, David M. Sonnon.

Feb. 18 — Southwest of Elizabethtown at Good's Church, Stock and Implements by Walter Ebersole.

Feb. 21 — At Carmichaels, Pa., 40 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Guernseys. Sale managed by Wm. Juzi for P.G.B.A., Harrisburg, Pa., C. Wayne Keener, owner.

Feb. 23 — East of Lancaster along Route 30, at the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, 65 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some Vaccinated Guernseys, Sale managed by Wm. Juzi for P.G.B.A., Harrisburg, Pa.

Feb. 25 — Along Falmouth Pike, one-half mile west of Newville, household furniture, some antiques, by Urban Sweigart.

Feb. 27 — Along road leading from Maytown to Bainbridge at the village of Chickentown, Stock and Implements, by Curtis W. May.

Feb 28 — At Campbelltown, 60 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Canadian Holsteins, by Ed O'Neal.

Feb 29 — Along the road leading from Mount Joy to Mastersonville, 4 miles north of Mount Joy, Stock and Implements by Elam S. Geib.

March 1 — Along the road leading from Manheim to Old Line Store, 3 miles west of Manheim, Stock and Implements by William B Saylor.

March 2 — Along the Jednota Road, leading from Highspire to Middletown, one-half mile North of Highspire, Stock and Implements by Edward H. Nissley.

March 3 — Along the road leading from Maytown to Bainbridge, Route No. 241, at the villiage of Stackstown, Stock and Implements by Henry Berg.

March 3 — Livestock, implements, near East Fairview Church Jacob Lehman.

March 5 — West of Rheems, close to Donegal Springs, on Cameron Farm, joining Landis Stone Meal Co., Stock and Implements by Morris G. Spickler.

March 6 — Along the road leading from Maytown to Bainbridge, Route No. 241, at the village of Chickentown, stock, implements and household furniture by Chester Ney.

March 7 — Along the road leading from Manheim to Lancaster, known as the Fruitville Pike, stock and implements by William Bredthauer.

March 8 — About seven miles east of Elizabethtown close to Chiques Church, stock and implements by C. B. Oberholtzer.

March 8 — East of Lancaster, along Route 30, at the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, 75 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited Guernseys, sale managed by Wm. Juzi, for P.G.B.A., Harrisburg, Pa.

March 9 — Along the road from Maytown to Bainbridge, Route No. 241, one-half mile from Maytown, on the Joe Bixler Farm, stock and implements by Jay W. Brandt.

March 10 — Close to Donegal Springs along road leading from Maytown to Landis Stone Meal Plant, stock, implements, some household furniture, by Engle E Shelly.

March 10 — Livestock, implements, in Elstonville, Frank Ruhl.

March 12 — At Ellottsburg, Perry County, 65 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited and vaccinated Holsteins, sale managed by Harvey Rettew, Carl Kennedy, owner.

March 13 — Along the road leading from Mount Joy to Milton Grove, about three miles North of Mount Joy, two miles south of Milton Grove, stock and implements by Amos H. Mummau.

March 14 — Along the road leading from Rheems to Donegal Springs at Hersh Blacksmith Shop on Cameron Farm, stock and implements by Carl Ginder.

March 15 — East of Lancaster along Route 30 at Guernsey Sales Pavilion, 75 head of purebred bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Guernseys, managed by Wm. Juzi for P G B A., Harrisburg.

March 15 — Livestock, implements, between Mastersonville and Colebrook, Isaac Wenger.

March 17 — At Cleona, annual spring sale of 125 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Canadian Holsteins, 150 head of hogs, by Russell Heilman & Sons.

March 17 — Livestock, implements, 2 mi northwest Manheim, Elam Snavely.

March 23 — Hagerstown, Md. 60 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Holsteins, managed by Harvey Rettew, Manheim, David S. Martin, owner.

March 24 — Along road leading from Upper Lawn to Campbelltown, three miles northeast of Campbelltown, Lea Vista dispersal, Keystone Holstein, Inc., managers, Bob Weidler, owner.

March 24 — Household goods and equipment, on Pinch Road near Mount Gretna, Eph. Achey.

March 26 — In the Borough of Middletown annual spring sale of 150 Canadian Purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Holsteins by C. S. Erb.

March 27 — At Butler, Pa., 50 head of purebred, bloodtested, accredited, some vaccinated Guernseys, sale managed by Wm. Juzi for P.G.B.A., Harrisburg.

March 28 — At Upper Lawn, Normandale Farm Dispersal, Keystone Holstein Sales, Inc., managers, Norman Risser, Jr., owner.

March 31 — At Shellsville, annual spring sale of stock, implements and household furniture by Jake Gerberich.

April 7 — Between Deodate and Upper Lawn at Moyer's Church along Route #341 on Roy Brandt Farm. Consignment and commission sale of furniture, stock and implements; contact Roy Brandt, E-town 7-3623.

DESTINATION UNKNOWN

Out on the rifle range a tough old firing instructor stepped up to a green rookie whose misses were nothing short of spectacular.

"Son, where the blazes are your shots going?" he bellowed to the nervous recruit.

The rookie looked up innocently. "I dunno, sir," he replied. "They're leaving this end all right."

Sales Tax Meets Approval from Pomona Grange

Calling on the Pennsylvania legislature and Gov. George M. Leader "to speedily enact a broad-based tax program," the Pomona Grange in Lancaster County last weekend went on record as favoring a state sales tax without exemptions for food and liquor consumed on premises where purchased.

Making up the resolutions committee at the meeting in the Lancaster YMCA meeting, were J Collins McSparran and Edward James, Fulton Twp. Grange and Melvin Boyce, Colerain Twp.

The lack of adequate finances threatens "many of our rural school districts". "We reaffirm our former position of favoring a sales tax with the exemptions removed on food and liquor . . . where bought in hotel and motel rooms."

Exemption of farmers in taxes imposed on gasoline used on farms, and outlawing sales and possession of toy pistols, was also asked.

New officers were installed: Ralph Wanner, Salisbury Twp. Grange, master; Robert Weicksel, Colerain Twp, overseer; James, steward; Clair Murphy, Fulton Twp., lecturer; Mrs. Chester Eby, Salisbury Twp., secretary; Melvin Boyce, treasurer; Samuel Wanner, Salisbury Twp., gatekeeper; Ruth Armstrong, Fulton Twp, ceres; Mrs. Melvin Boyce, pomona; Mrs. Richard Maule, flora; Mrs. Alfred Wanner, Salisbury, lady assistant steward.

Officers were installed by Alfred Wanner, assisted by Ezra Lausch, Mrs. Betty Ford and Mrs. Charles McSparran.

The next meeting of the Pomona Grange is scheduled for April 21.

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Toynbee says work should not be divorced from religion.

Panel of Nine Seeks Better Poultry Trade

Problems of the poultry trade and suggestions for improving marketing procedures were presented by a panel of nine experts at the annual meeting of the Lancaster County Poultry Exchange late last week. The meeting was in the Rohrerstown Elementary School

"The Mechanics of Poultry Marketing" was the topic. A quality bird must be marketed to build up poultry sales to meet competition offered by beef and pork. Herman Bloom of the Bird-In-Hand Poultry Co, representing the wholesale trade, and Herman M. Cook, representing chain stores, told.

Views of Buyers

Views of buyers came from H. W Longacre of Franconia and Daniel K Good of the Producers Cooperative Exchange. The advantage of auction-type markets was emphasized by Jacob C. Herr, Gordonville, and Eugene Schlosnagle, Cumberland county.

Sales promotion was discussed by Leslie F. Hubbard of the Poultry and Egg National Foundation, while Mrs. Marian Granger of Dublin presented the housewife's view

Others who spoke briefly were Max M. Smith, Lancaster County agricultural agent; Wayne B. Rentschler, Farm Bureau Cooperative, and A. G. Bucher, farm representative of the Lancaster County National Bank.

Around 250 Present

About 250 attended the meeting and heard Mrs. Clara Kopf, exchange secretary, report that from 50 to 70 per cent of the 30 accredited buyers are active and an average of 645 growers listed birds an average of three times each last year.

Last year the Exchange handled nearly five million birds in 1,962 lots, and for the year and a half the Exchange has been in operation, the number is well over six million. An increase of 452,000 birds in the last four months was reported in comparing last year with 1954.

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Governor Leader Appeals for Farm Attention, Review of Legislation

Lancaster Farming herewith publishes the full text of the message delivered Jan. 16, 1956 by. George M. Leader, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania):

To the Honorable, the Members of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

For many years our Commonwealth has enjoyed the benefits of a vigorous and progressive farm community which has contributed to our prosperity and has won for us National acclaim.

Today our Pennsylvania farmers, along with the farmers of the Nation are caught in a vise of rising costs for the things they buy and declining prices for their crops As a result, the cash income of Pennsylvania farmers has fallen off more than ten per cent in the past three years.

Although the agricultural economy is basically a National problem, there are areas in which you, as legislators, and I, as Governor, can act to assist this vital segment of our population.

I ask that both Houses review the status of legislation affecting agriculture and that such legislation be given prompt attention.

A number of bills have been introduced in the Legislature to make certain that the farmer gets what he pays for when he purchases feeds, fertilizers or seeds. House Bill 1560 which is now in the Senate is a new commercial feed bill codifying and modernizing our basic law dealing with the manufacture and sale of livestock and poultry feeds It requires a disclosure of basic elements which make up the feed itself and provides for a fee not exceeding five cents a ton to establish a fund which will make its enforcement self-supporting.

Similarly, a bill protecting the farmer from misrepresentation with regard to the chemical content of fertilizers and codifying our law pertaining to fertilizers has been introduced into the House. It provides for new products such as liquid fertilizer, requiring a full disclosure of its contents be made to the purchaser. The bill also makes provision for licencing fees which will make its enforcement financially self-supporting.

Two minor but important bills protect the farmer against misrepresentation when purchasing seeds or plants. These bills, House Bill 1048 and House Bill 1277, are now pending in the Senate.

Research which will help the farmer eradicate disease, improve production and help develop new markets is the purpose of House Bill 1584 now in the Senate. It appropriates $500,000 for research at Pennsylvania State University. Its basic purpose is to promote research in animal husbandry, dairy sciences and poultry husbandry from which Pennsylvania farmers derive 78 per cent of their cash income.

Recent financial failure of certain dealers has again high-lighted the necessity for an adequate licensing and bonding law in our Commonwealth. I urge that bonding legislation which will protect our Pennsylvania farmers against losses arising out of financial failure of those to whom they have sold their crops be enacted at this session. Many of our farmers cannot survive the impact of such losses of their limited cash income.

Of course, the prompt enactment of an appropriation bill to finance the Department of Agriculture itself is vital. Included in the Department's budget is an item which contemplates a more aggresive program to promote Pennsylvania farm products. Unfortunately, agricultural products have not had the benefit of an intensive publicity campaign which will allow them to compete successfully with many competitive products. To name just one, I would suggest that the use of milk as a beverage distributed through vending machines has scarcely been explored. It is my hope that the Department would be furnished an adequate budget which would permit the establishment of an intensive promotion program to encourage the use of such farm products.

It is my hope that the Senate will give serious consideration to House Bill 730 now pending on its calendar which allows technicians to draw blood under pullorum disease testing programs. As the law now stands, only licensed veterinarians are authorized to take such blood samples and in many areas veterinarians are carrying work loads that make it difficult for them to perform this important service for our farmers.

For a number of years our livestock farmers have urged our Commonwealth to establish an open livestock show. Such a show can be operated economically by the modest addition of 50 thousand dollars to the budget of the Department. Senate Bill 791, which has bipartisan sponsorship, contemplates such a program and I would ask that this legislation be given favorable consideration by both Houses.

Favorable consideration should be given to House Bill 861 now in the Senate which removes the $12,000 per year limit which counties may allocate for agricultural and home economics extension work The vital importance of this work to our farm community is familiar to you and need not be detailed here. Similarly, House Bill 1295 which appropriates $30,000 for the holding of six regional and one Statewide Junior Dairy Shows should be acted upon favorably. It is on these members of the 4-H and Future Farmers of America Clubs that the future of Pennsylvania agriculture depends.

There is another area of legislation administered by our Department of Agriculture which is important to our consumers as well as to our farm community I refer to legislation guaranteeing the purity of foods and beverages and the accuracy of representation regarding such products. An entirely new General Food Bill is being introduced in the House which will safeguard the health and the pocketbook of our consumers and at the same time protect food processors and farmers against competition from sub-standard food products

The Bill represents the cooperative effort of the Public Health Law Research Project of the University of Pittsburgh; Dr Joseph W E. Harrison and Dr R. Adams Dutcher, of Pennsylvania State University; Dr. William J Schiller of Pittsburgh, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture; and other authorities on the subject. It has been drafted by the Department of Justice at my request.

The new General Food Bill now being introduced substantially follows the provisions of the Uniform State Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act which was drafted by the Association of Food and Drug Officials of the United States, but is limited to those provisions dealing with food. (It does not incorporate provisions dealing with drugs and cosmetics).

You may be surprised to know that the new Bill represents the first revision of our General Food Law since 1909.

This modern version has been strengthened and made more specific where necessary to bring it into conformity with present-day food standards.

It provides broader definitions of adulteration and misbranding and the additional feature of making it unlawful to advertise falsely.

Recognizing that certain food items require the addition of substances which are deleterious to health, the Bill provides for establishment of tolerances for such substances. It also provides for the dissemination of information regarding food by the Secretary of Agriculture when such information will protect public health and safeguard the consumer against fraud.

The proposed Act authorizes the Department of Agriculture to consult with food processor and farmer to establish standards and to draft necessary regulations.

Twenty-nine other states have enacted legislation patterned after the Uniform Food Law

Two bills have been introduced dealing with our beverage laws The one, House Bill 1527 revises our carbonated beverage law in accordance with recent decisions of our Supreme Court It protects the public against unproved artificial sweeteners which might endanger the public health and provides regulations for the use of automatic or manual dispensing equipment. A second bill requires that all chocolate milk should contain a butter fat content of not less than 3 25 per cent by weight. This bill would protect the public against the use of inferior grades of milk for the preparation of chocolate milk and assure the farmer that such milk products use a minimum quantity of butter fat.

Finally, our farm people are human beings who turn to recreation to rekindle their minds and their spirits. I would urge that legislation be enacted which will allow our farm families to fish in farm ponds and which will at the same time not jeopardize the effective enforcement of our Fish Laws. I would urge the Fish Commission to cooperate with the Legislature in drafting such legislation.

If Pennsylvania is to remain in the forefront as a progressive agricultural State, it is essential that we join together in creating the best possible climate for farming in our Commonwealth All of the bills which I have discussed have an immediate and helpful impact upon our farm economy Only by attacking on every front the problems which confront our farmers can we assure a thriving farm community in Pennsylvania in the years ahead

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Detectives at Oak Hill Turning to Horses, Chase Thieves: Date? 1912

Here is the second of a series of articles prepared for Lancaster Farming by Charles Slentz of Quarryville, a look from years ago:

At the annual get-together of the Detective Associations Union at Oak Hill early in January, 1912, one very important piece of routine business preceded adjournment of the meeting of the union which comprised ten companies. That item was "appointing 14 horse-back riders, who will be ready to mount their high spirited horses to run down thieves" While there was no publicized account of what thieveries were thwarted by these vigilantes during 1911, the Intercourse Detective Association had a one-theft record for a 12-month period, 19 years later.

Accordingly, this alert group, conceded to be "one of the oldest organizations of its kind in the country," virtually threatened to go out of business when it reviewed this inactivity at its 79th annual report meeting, end of 1930 "Only one theft had been reported during the year — a flock of chickens from the farm of Benjamin Greider, near Gordonville." The 220 members, in considering this unusual lull in pilfering, "agreed that times, indeed, were changing" In contrast, it was said that "once upon a time, the Intercourse Detective Association rode almost nightly upon the trails of horse, chicken and livestock thieves, with fairly good results" But despite the fact that the "total payout for the year ('30) had been $25 — for Greider's stolen pullets — the boys decided to stick together, just in case"

. . . And so much for leafing through pages touching on protection for life and property on farm and in countryside.

Speaking of high spirited horses (and we were a few moments ago), a local newspaper paragraph of late Jan, 1907, told about the makings of one in this brief concerning "a wild colt" The animal "owned by Harry Roop which was chanced off here (Andrews Bridge neighborhood) on Thursday night was won by A B Simmons, Christiana"

The wild and spirited streaks in horse flesh are ever a challenge to riders and drivers. We truly believe that both horse and driver in this particular piece of news of mid-January, 1912, had plenty of spirit, but judge for yourself as you read about this farmer's thrilling, though imagined race "One of East Drumore township's prosperous farmers, while on his way home from Quarryville recently, thought he was racing down the pike It was about dusk and it was the rattling noise of the other wagon that he had tied on behind his that made it appear to him that some one was trying to pass him When near Unicorn the people heard him coming like Jehu of old, crying out 'You can't pass me! Come on', No, you did not!" He felt flat when he discovered his mistake"

Philadelphia to Unicorn

Another horse-rider news-flash of January (this time, 49 years ago) — and the rider might well have been a worthy mounted candidate for any detective association, for note. "James Watson purchased a horse in Philadelphia, riding it all the way home" — meaning, to Unicorn

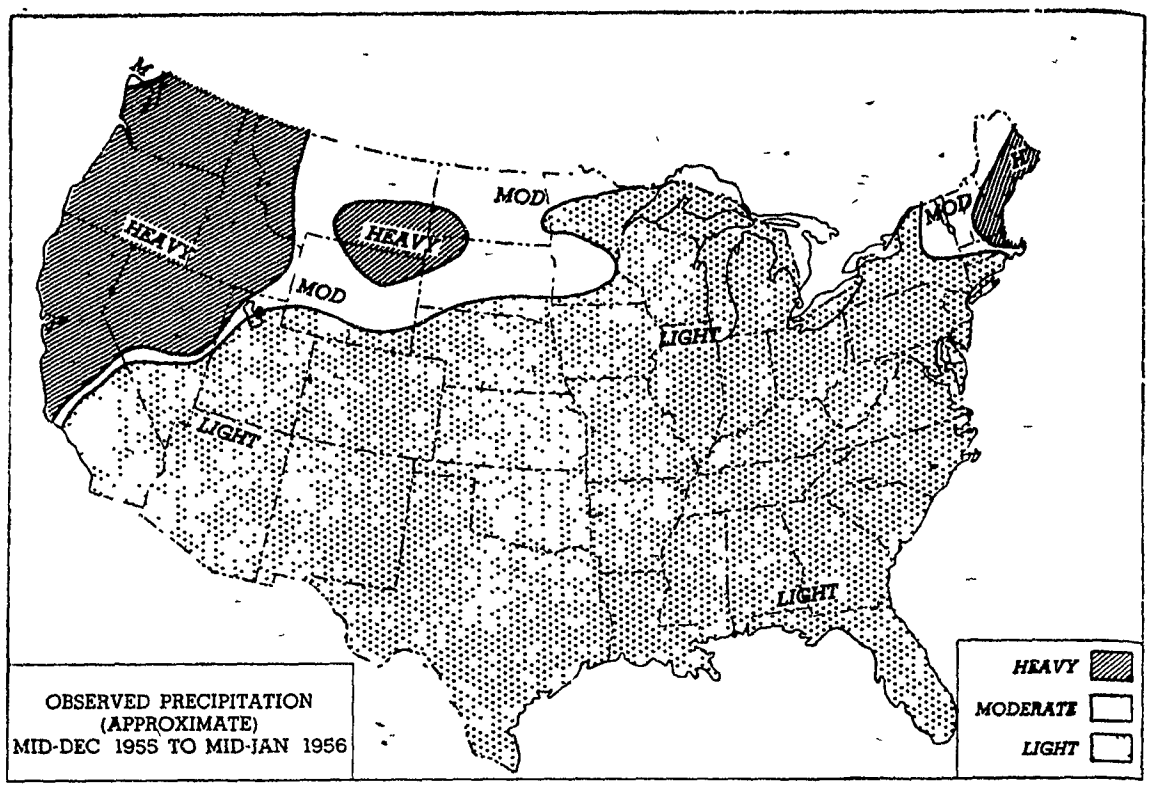
Post-holiday week fires, in 1905, plagued both city and county In Lancaster, "flames broke out in a frame stable at the rear of the Hoffman House, fronting on West Mifflin St, and quickly consumed the structure, along with three horses and the rolling stock owned by A. E. Rudy, of the Standard Ice Cream Co, who occupied part of the building as a manufactory." On two farms, Christmas time of the same year, eight horses were lost, as well as other stock, crops and equipment. One fire resulted in the destruction of a "large barn on the farm of Mrs Julia M. D Lant, halfway between the Harrisburg Turnpike and the railroad bridge over Little Conestoga Creek" In addition to two horses, the following contents of the barn were also burned· "20 head of steers and cows, 20 pigs and 250 chickens, along with the year's yield of corn, the year's crop of tobacco and all the farm equipment. . . . They were able to save only one horse and one small wagon"

The other fire leveled the large born on the farm of Mr. David W Jackson, one mile northwest of Bartville. This large structure, almost new, housed six horses, one cow, 15 head of steers, crops and farming implements valued at thousands of dollars Everything was destroyed, the barn reduced to ashes."

Something to Beef About

While destructive fires invariably give losers considerable cause for lament, a man not too far from the Octoraro neighborhood really had "something to beef about," just forty-four years ago this month The man was John B. Keene, of Green Tree, and the story goes that he, "with a few of his kind neighbors, attempted to butcher his beef one the fence and made his escape, coming toward Green Tree There he turned north and was lost to the posse on foot that were after it. They returned home to get teams to further trace it and Tuesday afternoon. One who professes to be a crack shot missed his mark and the beef imagined what was on the move, scaled on later accounts did not get fresh beef for their supper. Last accounts were it was heading for Gap, with the owner in hot pursuit."

Precipitation Reports



The Weather Bureau's 30-day outlook for mid-January to mid-February calls for temperatures to average above seasonal normals in the western half of the country. East of the Mississippi generally below normal temperatures are indicated, except for near normal in the Great Lakes area and the Northeast.

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